

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of
3 the State of Illinois wish to congratulate Mrs. Marie Ruff on
4 the occasion of her retirement as Vice President of Patient
5 Care Services of Little Company of Mary Hospital; and

6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruff has been with the Hospital for 30
7 years and a registered nurse for 47 years; since her
8 graduation from Little Company of Mary School of Nursing in
9 1956, she has worked as a Staff Nurse, Head Nurse, Director
10 of Maternal Child Services, Director of Surgical Services,
11 and for the past 16 years as Vice President of Patient Care
12 Services; and

13 WHEREAS, As a nurse, Mrs. Ruff has demonstrated practice,
14 courage, and compassion throughout her entire career; she has
15 served as a role model, not only to nurses, but to every
16 person that she has come in contact with; and

17 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruff has worked in many clinical areas in
18 nursing including, but not limited to, obstetrics,
19 pediatrics, surgery, medical/surgical, home care/hospice, and
20 ambulatory settings; she is known for her attention to
21 patient needs; and

22 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruff has been successful in her position
23 because she has had the courage to stand up for her
24 convictions in relation to anything that is in the best
25 interest of patients; in her position, she has worked to
26 improve staffing ratios and has had an open door policy with
27 her staff; and

28 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruff's entire life may best be
29 characterized with the word "compassion"; when she hears of a
30 person in need, she tries to help; she has been extremely
31 compassionate in cases of impaired employees including

1 contacting the employee personally to make sure all was going
2 well; she volunteers at Catholic Charity health fairs and the
3 Chicago Board of Health Clinics, where she administers flu
4 pneumonia shots; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
7 we congratulate Mrs. Marie Ruff on the occasion of her
8 retirement from Little Company of Mary Hospital, and we
9 extend our thanks to her for her extensive care of patients,
10 staff, and community; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to Marie Ruff as an expression of the respect and
13 admiration she has earned from us, her staff, and her
14 colleagues by serving as a role model, mentor, teacher,
15 friend, and supporter.